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PATENT

In re Application of : Kennedy III et al.
For : ISOPHTHALIC ACID POLYMER FOR USE IN
GOLF BALL COVERS OR MANTLES
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DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION OVER A PENDING
SECOND APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.321(b))

Identification Of Person(s) Making This Disclaimer

Disclaimant: Richard M. Klein
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represent that I am

- ☐ an inventor of this invention
☐ an assignee of this invention
☒ a representative authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee identified below.

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**Identity of Assignee and
Title of Disclaimant (if applicable)**

The Assignee is: Spalding Sports Worldwide, Inc.
Address of Assignee: 425 Meadow Street, P.O. Box 901
Chicopee, Massachusetts 01021-0901

Title of disclaimant authorized to sign on behalf of Assignee:
Attorney of Record

Recordal of Assignment in PTO

- ☒ the assignment was recorded on May 29, 2001
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- ☐ authorization for recordal of the assignment is separately attached

Extent of Interest

The extent of my (our) interest is in

- ☒ the whole of the invention
- ☐ a sectional interest in this invention as follows (here state the exact interest of the disclaimant(s):

I state that the relevant evidentiary documents have been reviewed, and certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee taking this action.

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Fee Status

(37 CFR 1.20(d) and 37 CFR 1.321)

- ☒ other than a small entity - fee \$ 110.00
☐ small entity - fee \$ 55.00
☐ verified statement attached
☐ verified statement filed on _____

Fee Payment

- ☒ Attached is a check in the amount of \$110.00
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SUBJECT DECISION ON TERMINAL DISCLAIMER INFORMAL FORM

DATE: 12-30-02

APPL. S.N.: 09/837,403

EXAMINER: _____

ART UNIT: 1712

PARALEGAL: JEAN PROCTOR

MAILROOM DATE: 12-20-02

AFTER FINAL: YES _____ NO ☒

NUMBER OF T.D.(S) FILED: 1

INSTRUCTIONS: I have reviewed the submitted T. D. with the results as set forth below. If you agree, please use the appropriate form paragraphs identified by this informal memo in your next office action to notify applicant about the T. D. If you disagree any analysis or have questions at all about the acceptability of the T.D., please see our Special Program Examiner or me.

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☐ The T.D. is NOT PROPER and has not been accepted for the reason(s) checked below. (See 14.24)

☐ The recording fee of \$ _____ has not been submitted nor is there any pre authorization in the application to charge to a deposit account. (See 14.25)

☐ Application Examiner has not processed fee for T. D.

☐ The T.D. does not satisfy Rule 321(b)(3) in that the person who has signed the T. D. has not stated his/her interest and the extent of the interest of the business entity represented by the signature in the application/patent. (See 14.26)

☐ The T. D. lacks the enforceable only during the common ownership clause needed to overcome a double patenting Rule 321(c). (See 14.27 and 14.27.1)

☐ T. D. is directed to a particular claim(s), which is not acceptable since the disclaimer must be of a terminal portion of the entire patent to be granted, MPEP 1490. (See 14.26 and 14.26.2)

☐ The person who signed the terminal disclaimer:

☐ has failed to state his/her capacity to sign for the business entity. (See 14.28)

☐ is not recognized as an officer of the assignee. (See 14.29.1)

☐ No documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original inventor(s) to assignee has been submitted, nor is the frame specified as to where such evidence is recorded in the office. 37CFR 3.73(b). (See 1140 O.G. 72) NOTE: This documentary evidence or the specifying of the reel and frame may be found in the T.D. or in a separate paper submitted by applicant. (See 14.30)

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☐ The T. D. is not signed (See 14.26 and 14.26.3)

☐ Attorney is not of record in the oath/declaration or a separate paper filed appointing a new or associate attorney, nor is there a customer number.

☐ The serial number of the application (or the number of the patent) which forms the basis for the double patenting is missing or incorrect. (See 14.32)

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